



2007 Samsung Champions Trophy - Men
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Netherlands 3

Germany 3

70' Very entertaining tied game (3-3) between the two European rivals. Germany are lucky to escape with a draw while the Dutch players are obviously disappointed to have let the three points elude them despite their overall domination of the game.

70' Jeroen DELMEE earns a free hit close to the circle. Tempers are flaring. GER clear the ball and try to mount a last attack. Tobias HAUKE ends up in a tussle with the NED keeper but the horn blows.

68' The last few minutes are played at full speed from one end to the other. Defenses are getting tired and a goal could be scored at either end!

67' Rob RECKERS is not joined top scorer of the tournament with 5 goals.

66' PC for GER but they cannot control it.

64' *** GOAL NED: Rob RECKERS ***

64' NED are not down yet! Rob RECKERS penetrates the circle, navigates his way in the middle of traffic and adjust a shot that goes high in net. Score tied at 3-3

61' Incredible turn of event that sees Germany grab the lead despite the Dutch domination since the beginning of the game. Florian KELLER has two goals in the game, three in this Champions Trophy.

58' *** GOAL GER: Florian KELLER ***

58' On the next play, a misunderstanding in the NED defense leaves Florian KELLER with the ball in the circle and a lot of time to adjust a shot to give GER the lead.

56' *** GOAL GER: Jan Marco MONTAG ***

56' The pace is picking up. On a confusing scramble in front of the NED goal, the ball goes back to Jan Marco MONTAG at the top of the circle and unleashes a shot that ties the game at 2-2.

51' In the free hits close to the circle, nearly all players from both camps are in the circle or within 5 meters of it, making for very crowded territory. A ball reaches GER Carlos NEVADO, but it bounces and he cannot control it for a shot.

49' This time, Taeke TAEKEMA long scoop finds Robert VAN DER HORST on the run. He manages to cross the ball to the top of the circle, but nobody can control it.

45' Taeke TAEKEMA tries a 75 meters scoop for a high forward (Ronald BROUWER) but the ball is just intercepted.

44' NED has still a clear upper hand in this game. They obviously want to redeem themselves after their stunning defeat 2-6 at the hands of the Koreans.

- 43' Ronald BROUWER is taken down by the keeper but the umpire let the play go on. GER keeper Max WEINHOLD is injured on the play and is replaced by Christian SCHULTE.
- 42' A free hit travels across the circle towards Matthias WITTHAUS on the left, but the ball is slightly out of his reach.
- 40' GER try to extricate themselves from their defensive half, but NED is pressuring them very high.
- 37' Geert-Jan DERIKX penetrates the circle on the base line; his shot from a close angle is deflected by the keeper.
- 36' Second half is under way.
- 35' Very entertaining first half of fast paced hockey, with an advantage to the Netherlands in the game and a one-goal lead on the scoreboard.
- 35' Last chance for Sebastian DRAGUHN, with the keeper on the ground, but his shot goes too high.
- 34' Green card for Carlos NEVADO (GER).
- 33' *** GOAL NED: Rogier HOFMAN *****
- 32' Rogier HOFMAN receives the ball in the clear, runs twenty meters, beats the keeper at the top of the circle, eludes a retreating defender and slots the ball in goal with a reverse shot. NED take the lead 2-1 with a couple minutes left in the half.
- 31' Rob DERIKX runs fifty meters and penetrates in the circle, but he cannot unleash a proper shot and the ball goes out.
- 27' PC for GER after an attacker is taken down in the circle. Florian KELLER's flick is well saved by the keeper.
- 27' Free hit for Germany but the ball by Tibor WEISSENBORN does not reach anybody.
- 25' The German defense is under pressure, and Timo WESS needs to use a long aerial ball to push the game upfield for a moment.
- 24' The game flows back and forth very quickly, but NED manage to create more opportunities.
- 22' A quick free hit by Floris EVERS finds Ronald BROUWER at the top of the circle but his shot is wide.
- 20' A beautiful from Teun DE NOOIJER finds Rob DERIKX at the top of the circle; he is pushed to earn a PC, but the ball is not controlled by the Dutch battery.
- 18' GER manage to extricate the ball from a crowded situation in their circle.
- 15' It is Florian KELLER's first penalty corner goal in a Champions Trophy game; he has otherwise score 5 field goals.
- 13' *** GOAL GER: Florian KELLER *****
- 13' PC for GER. Florian KELLER's low flick is out of reach for Guus VOGELS in the NED goal. The score is tied at 2.
- 11' After the initial surge by the Netherlands, play is now more balanced.
- 9' Ronald BROUWER picks up the ball after a long run by Jeroen DELMEE; he is tripped before entering the circle but the umpire let the play go on.
- 4' *** GOAL NED: Taeke TAEKEMA *****

- 4' First PC for NED. Taeke TAEKEMA makes no mistake and opens the scoring for NED. The game is starting on a high note.
- 2' First shot is for Matthijs BROUWER (NED) with a reverse shot that flies high over the goal.
- 1' The game is under way one hour late because of the rain delay in the previous game. It is 25C with... 94% humidity.
- 0' Today, Netherlands are resting Wouter HERMKENS and Klaas VERMEULEN from their 20-player roster, while Oliver KORN and Oliver HENTSCHEL didn't dress for Germany. Rob DERIKX (NED) will pick up his 150th cap for the Netherlands in this match.
- 0' Germany's 15 goals have been scored by nine different players, with Matthias WITTHAUS their top scorer with 4 goals. The Germans scored most goals from penalty corners this tournament, having converted five out of 17. Germany also top the goal attempt list: they have fired 56 shots, 48 of which were on goal.
- 0' The Dutch team won their opening match, beating Great Britain 4-0. They then beat host Malaysia (3-1), drew with Spain (3-3) and were defeated by Korea on the stunning score of 2-6. They currently stand 4th in the table with 7 points. Germany started their 2007 Champions Trophy campaign with four straight victories over Pakistan (5-2), Great Britain (4-0), Korea (2-1) and Spain (4-1). They are now alone at the top of the table with 12 points from four matches, having scored 15 goals and having conceded four.
- 0' Interestingly, Germany have the advantage in four World Cups games against the Netherlands (2 wins and 2 draws) while the Netherlands have the advantage in five encounters in the Olympic Games (3 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss).
- 0' This match will be the 20th Champions Trophy encounter between the two European neighbours. The Netherlands have won seven and Germany six of the previous matchups, with six draws. Their last CT match was the 2006 final, which was won by the Dutch side (2-1) with goals from Taeke TAEKEMA, Teun DE NOOIJER and Timo WESS.